

## CLAIMS

1. A camera, comprising:  
 a memory for storing at least one camera setting for each of at least one  
 user;  
 a user identification sensor for identifying at least one of said at least  
 one user of the camera; and  
 a processor for controlling the camera according to said stored at least  
 one camera setting in response to a signal from the sensor.

2 The camera recited in claim 1 wherein said user identification sensor  
 comprises at least one from the group of a switch, toggle, button, slide, and rotating  
 knob.

3. The camera recited in claim 1 wherein said user identification sensor  
 comprises a code entry device.

4 The camera recited in claim 1 wherein said user identification sensor  
 comprises a physical attribute sensor.

1            5.        The camera recited in claim 1 wherein the setting is an exposure mode  
2        setting selected from the group consisting of aperture-preferred, shutter speed-  
3        preferred, and automatic exposure settings.

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a3 } 6.        A camera, comprising:  
2                means for identifying at least one user of the camera; and  
3                means for automatically controlling the camera according to the  
4        identification of the user.

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1            7.        The camera recited in claim 6, wherein the means for automatically  
2        controlling the camera comprises means for setting a mode of operation selected from  
3        the group consisting of an exposure mode, a flash mode, and a shutter control mode of  
4        operation.

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a4 } 8.        The camera recited in claim 6, wherein said means for identifying user  
2        is selected from the group consisting of a switch, code entry device, and a physical  
3        attribute sensor.

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1            9.        A computer-readable medium for use with a camera, comprising  
2                logic for identifying at least one user of the camera; and  
3                logic for controlling the camera according to the identification of the  
4        user.

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1           10.     The computer-readable medium recited in claim 10, wherein the logic  
2     for controlling the camera includes logic for setting a mode of operation selected from  
3     the group consisting of an exposure mode, a flash mode, and a shutter control mode of  
4     operation.

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2     11.     The computer-readable medium recited in claim 9, wherein the logic  
3     for identifying at least one user of the camera includes logic for receiving input from a  
4     device selected from the group consisting of a switch, code entry device, and a  
5     physical attribute sensor.

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2     12.     A method of operation for a camera, comprising the steps of:  
3             receiving a user identification; and  
4             controlling the camera according to the received user identification.

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2     13.     The method recited in claim 12, wherein the controlling step comprises  
3     automatically setting a mode of operation selected from the group consisting of an  
4     exposure mode, a flash mode, and a shutter control mode of operation.

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2     14.     The method recited in claim 14, wherein said receiving step includes  
3     receiving a signal from a device selected from the group consisting of a switch, code  
4     entry device, and a physical attribute sensor.

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